

Your Committee, to which this proposal was referred, has amended the proposal to read as follows and recommends its adoption as amended.

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CITY COUNTY COUNCIL

PROPOSAL NO. 153, 2010

CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS-MARION COUNTY, INDIANA

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INTRODUCED: 05/17/2010

REFERRED TO: Public Works Committee

SPONSOR: Councillors Gray and Nytes

DIGEST: designates 22nd Street, from Capitol Avenue to ~~College~~ Ralston Avenue, as the Bishop Morris E. Golder Memorial Way

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SOURCE:

Initiated by: Councillor Gray

Drafted by: Angela Gonzalez, Assistant Clerk of the Council

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ADOPTION:

Subject to approval or veto by Mayor

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE:

Adoption and approvals

GENERAL COUNSEL APPROVAL: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: May 12, 2010

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CITY-COUNTY SPECIAL RESOLUTION NO. , 2010

A SPECIAL RESOLUTION designating 22<sup>nd</sup> Street, from ~~Broadway Street~~ Capitol Avenue to ~~College~~ Ralston Avenue, as the Bishop Morris E. Golder Memorial Way.

WHEREAS, in spite of his initial desire to be an orchestra conductor, God had other plans for the baby boy born to Earl and Margaret Golder on January 23, 1913; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Crispus Attucks High School, Morris E. Golder left Indianapolis for 13 years to pastor the Bethesda Mission Church in St. Louis, Missouri, returning in February of 1948 to pastor the church where he was reared under Elder Robert F. Tobin, Christ Temple; and

WHEREAS, Elder Golder was able to complete his formal education when he returned to Indianapolis with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Religion and Psychology, Bachelor of Divinity (Cum Laude) in Semitics, and a Master of Arts in Christian Doctrine from Butler University and Seminary and was invited to participate in a symposium on oneness Pentecostals at Harvard University. His concern for education spurred him into sharing his own financial resources to assist other individuals in the community in receiving a secondary education; and

WHEREAS, on November 22, 1953, Elder Golder began the Grace Apostolic Church, meeting first in the Rex Theater and mortuary of Mrs. Mildred Kirk as schedules allowed, then moving to the corner of 22<sup>nd</sup> and Broadway Streets, where a new building was erected on November 7, 1990, with a capacity to seat 2,200 people. He was also passionate and very supportive of foreign missions, with a church in Africa also named Grace Apostolic Church in his honor; and

WHEREAS, elevated to the bishopric by the Diocese of Kentucky and Middle Tennessee, Bishop Golder authored several doctrinal pamphlets and books, including *The Principles of our Doctrine, the Confession of Sins, Evangelism, The History of Pentecostal Assemblies of the World, The Life and Works of Bishop G.T. Haywood* and *Grace Gleanings*; and he preached for many years on local radio stations WIBC and WTLC; and

WHEREAS, affectionately known as "The Prince of Preachers," Bishop Golder survived two spouses, Elizabeth Hall and Betty Beck, both co-laborers in ministry, and continued to serve the Grace Apostolic

Church and the Indianapolis community with his surviving spouse, Sister Bobbie Golder, until the Lord took him home on Saturday, July 22, 2000; now, therefore:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY-COUNTY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS AND OF MARION COUNTY, INDIANA:

SECTION 1. The Indianapolis City-County Council does hereby honor the memory of Bishop Morris Ellis Golder, longtime pastor of the Grace Apostolic Church and community activist who touched lives across racial, ethnic, financial, and social boundaries by designating 22<sup>nd</sup> Street, from ~~Broadway Street~~ Capitol Avenue to ~~College~~ Ralston Avenue, as the Bishop Morris E. Golder Memorial Way.

SECTION 2. This resolution shall be in full force and effect upon adoption and compliance with IC 36-3-4-14.

The foregoing was passed by the City-County Council this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2010, at \_\_\_\_\_ p.m.

ATTEST:

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Ryan Vaughn  
President, City-County Council

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Melissa Thompson  
Clerk, City-County Council

Presented by me to the Mayor this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2010, at 10:00 a.m.

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Melissa Thompson  
Clerk, City-County Council

Approved and signed by me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2010.

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Gregory A. Ballard, Mayor